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SUBJECT: US-EC SAFEGUARD DRAFT SELECTIVITY

REF: A) GENEVA 12527, B) STATE 301421

1. IN ORDER TO AVOID ANY MISUNDERSTANDING BETWEEN OURSELVES AND THE EC ON THE ISSUE OF SELECTIVE USE OF SAFEGUARDS, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE EC NOT MISINTERPRET OUR POSITION. WHILE WE HAVE ACKNOWLEDGED THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SAFEGUARDS AND TARIFFS FOR THE EC'S PRESENTATIONAL PURPOSES, WE HAVE NOT COMMITTED OURSELVES FORMALLY TO ANY SPECIFIC CONCEPT OF SELECTIVITY WHICH GOES BEYOND THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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"MUTUAL AGREEMENT" POSITION IN OUR TABLED SAFEGUARDS PAPER, AND THERE HAS BEEN NO AGREEMENT ON AN ADEQUATE SUBSTITUTE FOR THIS CONDITION ON THE USE OF SELECTIVITY (PER THE STRAUSS/HAFERCAMP UNDERSTANDING).

2. WE CONSIDER SELECTIVE USE AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE ARTICLE XIX PRINCIPLE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION AND THAT IN

ADDITION TO RESTRAINTS BEING MUTUALLY AGREED, SELECTIVE  
USE MUST BE SUBJECT TO FULLY ADEQUATE CONDITIONS, IN-  
CLUDING MULTILATERAL JUSTIFICATION AND SURVEILLANCE. THERE  
HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN THE U.S. POSITION IN THIS RESPECT,

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AS A CHANGE IN OUR BASIC POSITION.

3. WE ARE NOT SANGUINE ABOUT THE ABILITY OF OTHER  
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CONCEPT OF SELECTIVITY OR OBTAINING ADEQUATE CONTROL  
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4. THE SELECTIVITY ISSUE, AS PERHAPS NO OTHER ISSUE  
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BETWEEN SAFEGUARDS AND TARIFFS FOR THE EC'S PRESENTATIONAL PURPOSES, WE HAVE NOT COMMITTED OURSELVES FORMALLY TO ANY SPECIFIC CONCEPT OF SELECTIVITY WHICH GOES BEYOND THE "MUTUAL AGREEMENT" POSITION IN OUR TABLED SAFEGUARDS PAPER, AND THERE HAS BEEN NO AGREEMENT ON AN ADEQUATE SUBSTITUTE FOR THIS CONDITION ON THE USE OF SELECTIVITY (PER THE STRAUSS/HAFERCAMP UNDERSTANDING).

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